

(a) growing the virus in an interferon deficient substrate, and

with the proviso that said virus is not influenza C and the
5 interferon deficient substrate is not Vero cells and is not
STAT1(-) cell lines.

13. The method of Claim 12 wherein the substrate is six to nine-day old embryonated chicken eggs.

15. The method of Claim 14 wherein the virus is a segmented negative strand RNA virus.

17. The method of Claim 11 wherein the virus is a non-segmented negative strand RNA virus.

19. The method of Claim 11 wherein the virus is a DNA
30 virus.

35 21. The method of Claim 1 or 11 wherein the propagated virus has an attenuated phenotype.

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